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TABLE 1
EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT IN APRIL 1986

NOTE: These labor force data are supplied by the Department of Labor from their Current Population Survey.

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (Amounts in thousands)	APRIL 1986	MARCH 1986	FEBRUARY 1986	APRIL 1985
Total civilian labor force[a]	13,217	13,250	13,187	12,962
Total civilian employment	12,319	12,338	12,232	12,010
Total unemployment	898	912	955	952
Seasonally adjusted rate (percent)	6.8	6.9	7.2	7.3
Range[b]	6.1–7.5	6.2–7.6	6.5–7.9	6.6–8.0
U.S. seasonally adjusted rate	7.1	7.2	7.3	7.3
UNADJUSTED (Amounts in thousands)				
Total civilian labor force[a]	13,135	13,184	13,119	12,877
Total civilian employment	12,255	12,241	12,105	11,944
Total unemployment	879	942	1,013	934
Unadjusted rate (percent)	6.7	7.1	7.7	7.3
Range[b]	6.0–7.4	6.4–7.8	7.0–8.4	6.6–8.0

a/ Total labor force (and components) by place of residence and including workers involved in trade disputes. Employment includes self-employed, unpaid family and domestic workers.

b/ Range as shown is at the 90 percent level of confidence.

HIGHLIGHTS California's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for April 1986 was 6.8 percent, down slightly from the 6.9 percent rate for March 1986. A year ago, in April 1985, the seasonally adjusted rate was 7.3 percent. During April in California, seasonally adjusted employment decreased by 19,000 to 12,319,000. Unemployment decreased by 14,000 to 898,000. During the year since April 1985, total seasonally adjusted employment has increased by 309,000 while unemployment has decreased by 54,000.

During April 1986, total nonagricultural wage and salary employment in California totaled 11,171,200, a gain of 50,500 jobs since the March survey. With the exception of mining, all major sectors of the California economy reported an increase in the number of jobs. Employment in the construction industry expanded by 15,400 and 12,800 new jobs where added in the services sector. Employment in manufacturing, primarily in durable goods, increased by 5,600. During the twelve months since April 1985, total nonagricultural wage and salary employment has increased by 291,700 jobs, which is a growth rate of 2.7 percent. All major industry divisions, with the exception of mining, posted job increases over the year.

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TABLE 2
EMPLOYMENT STATUS OF THE WORKING-AGE POPULATION IN CALIFORNIA[1/]

(Numbers in Thousands)

EMPLOYMENT STATUS	APRIL 1986	MARCH 1986	FEBRUARY 1986	APRIL 1985
Total				
Labor Force	13,135	13,184	13,119	12,877
Employed	12,255	12,241	12,105	11,944
Unemployed	879	942	1,013	934
Unemployment Rate	6.7	7.1	7.7	7.3
Male, Age 20 and Over				
Labor Force	7,090	7,068	7,002	6,917
Employed	6,661	6,630	6,490	6,417
Unemployed	430	438	512	502
Unemployment Rate	6.1	6.2	7.3	7.2
Female, Age 20 and Over				
Labor Force	5,331	5,347	5,378	5,231
Employed	5,012	4,985	5,024	4,923
Unemployed	319	361	354	307
Unemployment Rate	6.0	6.8	6.6	5.9
Both Sexes, Age 16–19				
Labor Force	713	769	739	730
Employed	583	626	592	604
Unemployed	130	143	147	125
Unemployment Rate	18.3	18.6	19.9	17.2
White				
Labor Force	11,357	11,275	11,189	11,016
Employed	10,642	10,500	10,340	10,259
Unemployed	715	776	849	757
Unemployment Rate	6.3	6.9	7.6	6.9
Nonwhite				
Labor Force	1,778	1,909	1,930	1,861
Employed	1,613	1,741	1,766	1,684
Unemployed	164	166	164	176
Unemployment Rate	9.2	8.7	8.5	9.5

1/ Data supplied by the Department of Labor from their current population survey. No comparable data available for areas within California.

TABLE 3
EARNINGS AND HOURS[a/] OF PRODUCTION AND RELATED WORKERS IN MANUFACTURING IN CALIFORNIA

Area	Average weekly earnings			Average hours per week			Average hourly earnings		
	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1986	Mar. 1985	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1986	Mar. 1985	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1986	Mar. 1985
California	$414.50	$410.00	$404.81	40.4	40.0	40.4	$10.26	$10.25	$10.02

a/ Average hours and earnings are based upon data for full-time and part-time production and related workers in manufacturing industries. Average gross weekly and hourly earnings include overtime pay and premium wages for late-shift work. Attention is directed to the fact that these are not wage rates but are averages of gross earnings. Data are preliminary and subject to change.

TABLE 4
MONTHLY WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT ANALYSIS FOR APRIL PRELIMINARY
EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS OF JOBS
—DATA NOT ADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY—

INDUSTRY TITLE	CURRENT MONTH APRIL 86	PREVIOUS MONTH MARCH 86	YEAR AGO APRIL 85	NUMERICAL CHANGE		PERCENT CHANGE	
				MONTH/MONTH	YEAR/YEAR	MONTH/MONTH	YEAR/YEAR
Total Nonagricultural Employment	11,171.2	11,120.7	10,879.5	50.5	291.7	0.5	2.7
Mining	47.4	47.6	50.7	-0.2	-3.3	-0.4	-6.5
Metal Mining	1.7	1.7	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Fuel Mining	38.9	39.2	41.9	-0.3	-3.0	-0.8	-7.2
Nonmetal Mining	6.8	6.7	7.1	0.1	-0.3	1.5	-4.2
Construction	475.6	460.2	470.4	15.4	5.2	3.3	1.1
General Building Contractors	126.3	122.9	123.3	3.4	3.0	2.8	2.4
Heavy Construction	64.5	58.1	65.0	6.4	-0.5	11.0	-0.8
Special Trade Contractors	284.8	279.2	282.1	5.6	2.7	2.0	1.0
Manufacturing	2,096.4	2,090.8	2,077.2	5.6	19.2	0.3	0.9
Nondurable Goods	637.6	636.5	629.2	1.1	8.4	0.2	1.3
Durable Goods	1,458.8	1,454.3	1,448.0	4.5	10.8	0.3	0.7
Food and Kindred	162.8	160.5	161.2	2.3	1.6	1.4	1.0
Canned, Cured, Frozen Sea Foods	4.4	4.2	5.0	0.2	-0.6	-4.8	-12.0
Preserved Fruits and Vegetables	45.2	43.3	44.4	1.9	0.8	4.4	1.8
Other Food and Kindred Products	113.2	113.0	111.8	0.2	1.4	0.2	1.3
Textile Mill Products	13.8	13.7	13.5	0.1	0.3	0.7	2.2
Apparel and Other Textile Products	112.2	113.3	110.0	-1.1	2.2	-1.0	2.0
Paper and Allied Products	40.5	40.7	39.6	-0.2	0.9	-0.5	2.3
Printing and Publishing	142.3	142.6	137.9	-0.3	4.4	-0.2	3.2
Chemicals and Allied Products	64.1	63.9	63.6	0.2	0.5	0.3	0.8
Petroleum and Coal Products	28.1	28.3	29.3	-0.2	-1.2	-0.7	-4.1
Rubber and Misc. Plastic Products	66.4	66.3	66.3	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2
Leather and Leather Products	7.4	7.2	7.8	0.2	-0.4	2.8	-5.1
Lumber & Wood Prod. exc. Furniture	58.7	56.9	54.3	1.8	4.4	3.2	8.1
Furniture and Fixtures	60.7	60.9	59.3	-0.2	1.4	-0.3	2.4
Stone, Clay and Glass Products	50.9	50.5	50.4	0.4	0.5	0.8	1.0
Primary Metal Industries	40.7	40.9	42.0	-0.2	-1.3	-0.5	-3.1
Fabricated Metal Products	147.6	146.9	147.7	0.7	-0.1	0.5	-0.1
Machinery except Electrical	224.9	224.1	233.9	0.8	-9.0	0.4	-3.8
Electrical Equipment and Supplies	420.5	419.8	420.8	0.7	-0.3	0.2	-0.1
Transportation Equipment	308.5	307.3	290.7	1.2	17.8	0.4	6.1
Motor Vehicles and Equipment	36.9	36.5	34.7	0.4	2.2	1.1	6.3
Aircraft and Parts	163.3	162.6	150.3	0.7	13.0	0.4	8.6
Ship & Boat Building & Repairing	16.8	17.0	16.4	-0.2	0.4	-1.2	2.4
Guided Miss., Space Vehicles Parts	79.6	79.4	77.6	0.2	2.0	0.3	2.6
Other Transportation Equipment	11.9	11.8	11.7	0.1	0.2	0.8	1.7
Instruments and Related Products	111.8	112.2	113.8	-0.4	-2.0	-0.4	-1.8
Misc. Manufacturing Industries	34.5	34.8	35.1	-0.3	-0.6	-0.9	-1.7
Transportation and Public Utilities	563.6	559.8	560.8	3.8	2.8	0.7	0.5
Transportation	319.3	316.1	312.1	3.2	7.2	1.0	2.3
Railroads	23.4	23.2	23.9	0.2	-0.5	0.9	-2.1
Trucking and Warehousing	129.7	128.1	126.3	1.6	3.4	1.2	2.7
Other Transportation	166.2	164.8	161.9	1.4	4.3	0.8	2.7
Communications	162.4	162.0	168.7	0.4	-6.3	0.2	-3.7
Electric, Gas and Sanitary Services	81.9	81.7	80.0	0.2	1.9	0.2	2.4
Wholesale Trade	682.3	681.2	666.2	1.1	16.1	0.2	2.4
Retail Trade	1,966.1	1,962.5	1,904.0	3.6	62.1	0.2	3.3
General Merchandise Stores	233.5	236.5	229.2	-3.0	4.3	-1.3	1.9
Food Stores	277.8	276.6	267.8	1.2	10.0	0.4	3.7
Other Retail Trade	1,454.8	1,449.4	1,407.0	5.4	47.8	0.4	3.4
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	751.8	750.7	713.2	1.1	38.6	0.1	5.4
Finance	363.3	364.0	347.5	-0.7	15.8	-0.2	4.5
Insurance Agents, Carriers, Brokers	197.8	197.2	191.1	0.6	6.7	0.3	3.5
Real Estate	169.6	168.6	154.8	1.0	14.8	0.6	9.6
Comb. Holding and Other Investment Co.	21.1	20.9	19.8	0.2	1.3	1.0	6.6
Services	2,717.5	2,704.7	2,615.8	12.8	101.7	0.5	3.9
Hotels and Other Lodging Places	142.6	141.1	140.2	1.5	2.4	1.1	1.7
Personal Services	127.1	127.7	116.9	-0.6	10.2	-0.5	8.7
Business Services	656.2	649.5	631.9	6.7	24.3	1.0	3.8
Auto and Misc. Repair Services	165.9	166.1	161.1	-0.2	4.8	-0.1	3.0
Motion Pictures	74.9	77.5	76.6	-2.6	-1.7	-3.4	-2.2
Amusement and Recreation Services	116.4	111.8	112.0	4.6	4.4	4.1	3.9
Health Services	666.0	664.7	639.5	1.3	26.5	0.2	4.1
Other Services	768.4	766.3	737.6	2.1	30.8	0.3	4.2
Government	1,870.5	1,863.2	1,821.2	7.3	49.3	0.4	2.7
Federal Government	348.2	346.8	342.0	1.4	6.2	0.4	1.8
State and Local Governments	1,522.3	1,516.4	1,479.2	5.9	43.1	0.4	2.9
County	235.2	234.3	227.9	0.9	7.3	0.4	3.2
City	200.3	198.6	194.5	1.7	5.8	0.9	3.0
Education	811.6	809.3	787.2	2.3	24.4	0.3	3.1
Education State	155.4	154.5	153.9	0.9	1.5	0.6	1.0
Education Local	656.2	654.8	633.3	1.4	22.9	0.2	3.6
Other State and Local	275.2	274.2	269.6	1.0	5.6	0.4	2.1
State exc ed	179.0	178.4	176.3	0.6	2.7	0.3	1.5
Special District	96.2	95.8	93.3	0.4	2.9	0.4	3.1
Total Agriculture	310.0	240.0	315.0	70.0	-5.0	29.2	-1.6

SOURCE: Employment Development Department, Employment Data and Research Division
NOTE: Current month's data are preliminary.

TABLE 5
MONTHLY LABOR FORCE DATA FOR COUNTIES
MARCH 1986

COUNTY	CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT	
			NUMBER	PERCENT*
STATE TOTAL	13,183,800	12,241,400	942,400	7.1
Alameda	635,625	594,575	41,050	6.5
Alpine	850	825	25	3.5
Amador	8,650	7,725	925	10.8
Butte	68,450	60,300	8,150	11.9
Calaveras	10,250	9,025	1,225	12.0
Colusa	7,550	6,025	1,525	20.3
Contra Costa	375,900	353,675	22,225	5.9
Del Norte	7,050	5,900	1,150	16.4
El Dorado	52,000	48,000	4,000	7.8
Fresno	280,100	233,000	47,100	16.8
Glenn	10,700	8,975	1,725	16.0
Humboldt	47,875	42,100	5,775	12.1
Imperial	40,650	31,800	8,850	21.8
Inyo	9,750	9,125	625	6.3
Kern	217,900	187,200	30,700	14.1
Kings	34,000	28,925	5,075	14.9
Lake	17,175	14,650	2,525	14.7
Lassen	9,150	7,800	1,350	14.7
Los Angeles	4,060,000	3,815,000	245,000	6.0
Madera	33,600	28,625	4,975	14.8
Marin	125,725	120,900	4,825	3.8
Mariposa	6,250	5,550	700	11.1
Mendocino	32,500	28,150	4,350	13.4
Merced	70,350	58,550	11,800	16.8
Modoc	4,300	3,750	550	12.8
Mono	4,850	4,550	300	6.0
Monterey	150,200	129,600	20,600	13.7
Napa	46,475	43,350	3,125	6.7
Nevada	27,250	24,725	2,525	9.3
Orange	1,212,400	1,161,400	51,000	4.2
Placer	69,500	64,600	4,900	7.1
Plumas	8,225	6,650	1,575	19.0
Riverside	347,000	322,700	24,300	7.0
Sacramento	450,700	420,500	30,200	6.7
San Benito	14,600	11,475	3,125	21.4
San Bernardino	458,700	429,200	29,500	6.4
San Diego	988,300	936,900	51,400	5.2
San Francisco	406,325	384,375	21,950	5.4
San Joaquin	183,200	157,700	25,500	13.9
San Luis Obispo	88,050	83,100	4,950	5.6
San Mateo	340,200	326,225	13,975	4.1
Santa Barbara	173,300	163,100	10,200	5.9
Santa Clara	821,300	770,500	50,800	6.2
Santa Cruz	116,500	103,900	12,600	10.8
Shasta	52,875	44,825	8,050	15.2
Sierra	1,400	1,150	250	18.4
Siskiyou	17,900	14,625	3,275	18.2
Solano	122,500	112,900	9,600	7.8
Sonoma	173,200	160,900	12,300	7.1
Stanislaus	144,800	120,200	24,600	17.0
Sutter	23,550	18,275	5,275	22.4
Tehama	17,975	15,650	2,325	12.9
Trinity	5,275	4,275	1,000	19.1
Tulare	128,900	107,900	21,000	16.3
Tuolumne	15,900	13,800	2,100	13.2
Ventura	320,200	296,800	23,400	7.3
Yolo	65,500	58,600	6,900	10.6
Yuba	20,425	16,850	3,575	17.5

*NOTE: Census ratios used in deriving these estimates are from the 1980 Census. Unemployment rate is based on unrounded data. Data not seasonally adjusted. Imperial County estimates are lower beginning with the January 1986 report due to a change in the method of estimating unemployment.